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Temperature preference.—Minimum, 24; maximum, 33.

'Tis

Never Too

Late

To give a friend a present.

REMEMBER

That now that the rush of Christmas preparations is over

and you have had your presents and have given to your friends, you have probably thought of some one to whom you should have given a present, but forgot to do so. To those of you who have done this we say it is never too late to give a present, and that although the buying during the

You Will Have

Plenty of Time

to select carefully just what you want, and trading will be a pleasure.

To-day

will be a good time to select that present.

Emery, Bird, Thayer & Co.
Sole Importers for
BULLENE, MOORE, EMERY & CO.

of Matanzas, between that point and Havana.

It is not thought probable that it is the intention of the insurgents to engage in pitched battle, and much anxiety is felt to know whether they have actually initiated a retreat, and whether the elements they have hitherto employed will serve to open a way for them in either direction they choose to go.

There was a public meeting held here Friday evening in a demonstration of sympathy for General Canales.

MINISTER PALMA PLEASED.
Says the Cubans Have so Far Accomplished

Everything as Planned.
New York, Dec. 25.—Senator T. R. Martin, Palma, Cuba's minister, was at the United States headquarters last night for the first time since his trip to Washington, where he opened the headquarters of the new legation for Cuba.

Minister Palma, in discussing the rebellion, said: "We have forced Spain to surrender 12,000 troops, and increase her pay as well as her debt, and yet our column

have steadily advanced from the Orinoco to the Western provinces through strategic military lines and trained armies, until we have reached the territory in which, early in the present century, the Spaniards

"Spain is trying to negotiate another loan of \$200,000,000, and all I can say is that she needs the world to believe in a national bandit."

"Spain has sent to Cuba, since February 24, nearly as many troops as England did in the entire seven years of the revolution of American colonies."

Spaniards and Cubans Clash.

Tamiami, Fla., Dec. 25.—Andrew Hernandez, a Cuban, was shot late last night by Spaniards in Ybor City. A party of Cubans were out strolling when a Spaniard en-

"Vive España." The Cubans rejoiced they were for Cuba, whereupon the Spaniards shot into the crowd. Helmslander was struck in the abdomen, causing slight injuries. Threats were made during the night.

both Spartards and Cubans, and trouble was feared to-night. The vigilance of the police probably averted it.

TRAIN ROBBERS ARRESTED.

St. Louis Police Have the Four Men Who Held Up a Train at Forest Lawn, Ill., Two Year Ago.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 25.—The police

East St. Louis have under arrest four men who held up and attempted to rob the Mobile & Ohio express at Forest Lawn.

Ill. two years ago. Their names are R. A. Ingham, E. M. Pierce, George Williamson, Julius Witham, and Milton Cottrell, all residents of East St. Louis, and well known in railroad circles. During the past few weeks large quantities of goods have been stolen from freight cars in East St. Louis, and the police began to arrest persons who

were suspected of knowing something about the robbery. E. A. Bullard, living near the Tudor Iron Works, was arrested on suspicion. When locked up he told police that he thought that he was one

EMPHATIC DENIALS.

**Alexander Shas Says Holdings Concerning
the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Are
Without Foundation.**
Baltimore, Dec. 25.—Mr. Alexander Shas

Baltimore, Dec. 26.—Mr. Alexander Shady, chairman of the finance committee of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company, positively denies the newly revived statement that a receivership for the road is contemplated. "Several questions will have to be settled," said he, "before we are ready to select a successor to Mr. Mayer. We may say positively that no man has yet been lined upon. You may also deny specifically that the January interest of the bonds of the company will not be paid."

that a receivership, either friendly or otherwise, is contemplated; that the Baltimore & Ohio and the Southern Railway systems are to be consolidated. You may

also deny in the most positive terms the statements that there has been an irregularity in the manner of keeping the books of the company."

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